

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:236

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MILITANT ACTIVITIES AFTER INDO-PAK SUMMIT

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether cross border terrorism and the militant activities continued unrelentingly in Jammu & Kashmir even during the Agra Summit and that after the summit the militants have stepped up their activities killing the people of minority community in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof, incident-wise;

(c) whether some militant groups have threatened to spread violence in other parts of the country;

(d) if so, the details in this regard; and

(e) the measures taken by the Government to effectively tackle the situation?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)to(e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred in reply to parts (a) to (e) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No.236 for answer on 7.8.2001.

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir.

Terrorist Groups and especially Pakistan based and Pakistan supported Groups like LeT, JEM, etc. have continued their violent activity before, during and after the Agra Summit in an attempt to sabotage the peace initiative and the other steps taken by the Government to restore peace and normalcy in the State of J&K.

Terrorist outfits struck on 21st July, 2001 at Sheshnag Amarnath Yatri camp in Anantnag Dist. And again in 2 separate incidents in the Kishtwar area on 22nd July 2001 in which persons of the minority community were killed. The casualty figures are given as below :

Sl.No. Incident Killed Injured

	Security Forces	Civilians	Security Forces	Civilians
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1. Sheshnag Amarnath Yatri Camp.	21 July, 2001	2	10	5	10
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2. Dhoke at Lahana					
Distt. Dhar (P.S.-Chatroo)					
20 July, 2001.	0	4	0	0	

3. Cheerji in Peddar area					
of Kishtwar	21/22 July, 2001	0	8	0	1

(c),(d)&(e): Intelligence inputs indicate that militant groups have threatened increased violence in other parts of the country. Government has been sharing the inputs received from various sources with concerned States' agencies so that appropriate

measures are taken by them. Central Government has also been regularly sensitising the State Governments and Union Territories about such threat perceptions. Security agencies of the States have been constantly alerted in the wake of such threats perceptions based upon intelligence inputs.

To contain terrorism in Jammu & Kashmir, the Government has adopted a multi-pronged approach which includes, inter-alia, strengthening border management, pro-active action against terrorists in the hinterland, gearing up intelligence machinery, greater functional integration through an institutional frame-work of Operation Groups and Intelligence Groups of the UHQ at all levels, improved technology, weapons, and equipments for security forces. Appropriate strategies, tactics and dynamic deployment so as to counter the terrorists are constantly reviewed, refined and monitored in the Unified Headquarters at State and lower levels.